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In re Application of
Lee, Wu, Burton and Fan
Application No. 08/811,434
Filed: March 3, 1997
For: Downcomer for Chemical
Process Tower

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: DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
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This is in response to the "Petition For Acceptance of
Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," filed December 9, 1997.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventors have
refused to join in the filing of the above-identified
application.

The above-identified application and papers have been
reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This
application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice
of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at
the addresses given in the petition. Notice of the filing of
this application will also be published in the Official
Gazette.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be
directed to the undersigned at (703)306-3159.

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